Prince She were an excellent wife for Benedick.

Leonato O Lord,my lord,if they were but a weeke married, they would talke themſelues madde.

Prince Countie Claudio, when meane you to goe to church?

Claud. To morow my lord, Time goes on crutches,til Loue haue all his rites.

Leonato Not til monday, my deare ſonne,whi ch is hence a iuſt ſeuennight,and a time too briefe too, to haue al things anſwer my mind.

Prince Come,you ſhake the head at ſo long a breathing, but I warrant thee Claudio,the time ſhall not go dully by vs, I wil in the interim, vndertake one of Hercules labors,which is, to bring Signior Benedick and the lady Beatrice into a mountaine of affection,th'one with th'other, I would faine haue it a match, and I doubt not but to faſhion it,if you three will but miniſter ſuch aſſiſtance as I ſhall giue you direction.

Leonato My lord,I am for you,though it coſt me ten nights watchings.

Claud. And I my Lord.

Prince And you too gentle Hero?

Hero I wil do any modeſt office,my lord,to help my coſin to a good husband.

Prince And Benedicke is not the vnhopefulleſt husband that I know:thus farre can I praiſe him,he is of a noble ſtrain, of approoued valour,and confirmde honeſty, I will teach you how to humour your coſin, that ſhe ſhall fal in loue with Benedicke, and I,with your two helpes, wil ſo practiſe on Benedicke, that in diſpight of his quicke wit,and his queaſie ſtomacke,he ſhall fall in loue with Beatrice:if we can do this,Cupid is no longer an Archer, his glory ſhall bee ours, for we are the onely loue-gods, goe in with mee, and I will tell you my drift. *exit.*

Enter Iohn and Borachio.

Iohn It is ſo,the Counte Claudio ſhall marry the daughter of Leonato.

Bora. Yea my lord,but I can croſſe it.

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